

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

ELECTRIC SAFETY MONTH

2007

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, all North Carolina citizens depend on electricity in their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Council and the National Electrical Safety Foundation report that at least one U.S. citizen dies every day in an electrical accident; and

WHEREAS, the National Safety Council reports that, on average, 500 civilian deaths are related to electrical home structure fires; and

WHEREAS, according to the North Carolina Department of Insurance, 3,250 electrical source fires caused \$25.3 million worth of damage in the state in 2004; and

WHEREAS, the majority of all electrical accidents are preventable; following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent injury or death to thousands of people each year; and

WHEREAS, an understanding of both the benefits and dangers of electricity can help our citizens prevent potential hazards in their homes, schools, workplaces and other venues; and

WHEREAS, we the citizens of North Carolina pledge to conduct an electrical safety awareness campaign throughout our State and specifically focus on sharing information with our state's children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2007, as "**ELECTRIC SAFETY MONTH**." This month observes the importance of establishing and practicing electrical safety habits in the home, school and workplace to decrease electrical hazards, injuries, and property damage, and to prevent deaths. I call upon the people of North Carolina to participate in Electrical Safety Month activities and to conduct an electrical safety check of their homes, schools and workplaces.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fourth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.